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<p align="center"><b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b></p> <p><b>MAIL STOP RCE</b> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p> <p>Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995</p>		Application Number	09/534,034
		Confirmation Number	2294
		Filing Date	March 24, 2000
		First Named Inventor	Hideo MIURA
		Group Art Unit	2828
		Examiner Name	Armando RODRIGUEZ
		Matter Number	Q56556
Title	OPTICAL COMPONENT FIXING METHOD AND OPTICAL COMPONENT SUPPORT		

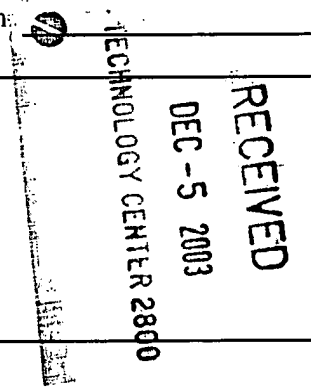


This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
  - i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on October 22, 2003
  - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on: \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- b. ☒ Enclosed
  - i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
  - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
  - v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_



**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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